



JFK PTSO MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2026, 7:00pm

🕒 Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by President, Melissa Miller

★ MEMBER SPOTLIGHT ★

- Amanda Santacroce

Thank YOU for introducing your family and for your support! Follow our Facebook page to learn more about these amazing families! <https://www.facebook.com/JFKPTSO>

💰 Treasurer's Report, reviewed by Treasurer, Daniel Chin

- General Account: \$8,339.57
- Raffle Account: \$11,936.89
- Savings/Playground Account: \$15,887.59
- Square Clearing Account: \$9,743.20
- Total All Accounts: \$45,907.25

Dan explained that the account balances have decreased as we have paid for Field Trips for various grade levels. Thank you for supporting the PTSO so that we can continue to help fund these trips. A detailed financial report is always included in the Membership Meeting emails.

👛 Old Business, reviewed by President, Melissa Miller

Financial

- Calendar Raffle profit to date - \$9,715.40
- April School Store - \$354.50 profit
- April Pretzel Sales - \$133.75
- PTSO website domain renewal - \$198.74 expense
- Lip Sync Battle event - \$414.31 expense (in addition to pending \$350 SPEA grant reimbursement)
- 3rd Grade Grandparent Breakfast - \$492.87 expense (in addition to pending \$500 SPEA grant reimbursement)
- NJSLA testing snacks - \$107.14
- Kindergarten Get Acquainted supplies - \$39.43
- Secretary Appreciation Day - \$55.96 expense
- Principal's Day - \$118.90 expense
- Lunch Hero Day - \$121.00 expense
- School Nurses Day - \$53.05 expense
- Art Show decor - \$80.18 expense (reusable)
- Color Run powder - \$584.80 expense
 - Scheduled for Friday, May 29

Events

- 3rd Grade Grandparent Breakfast
- Mom's Night Out
 - Moms who attended had fun!
 - Look for our next Moms Night Out at the end of the summer!
- Teacher Appreciation Week
 - Thank you for everyone's support. The teachers were thrilled and extremely grateful!
 - Financial summary pending volunteer receipts
- Spring Concert/Art Show
 - Thank you to the art and music teachers. The students' talents and your hard work were admired by all who attended
 - Small PTSO profit from flower and snack sales
- Noetic Math Team - date conflict this year (during spring break). We hope to pursue it next year.

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New Business, reviewed by various Board Members

- Financial
 - Zoom account renewal - \$169.90 expense (July 2026)
 - Last Day 4th Grade Clap Out balloon decor - \$200 expense
 - All families welcome to attend on the last day of school (outdoors)
 - Thank you, Mrs. McNamee for helping with the decorations.
 - SPSHS graduating senior scholarships - awarding two (2) \$500 scholarships
 - Winners are anonymous. We are looking forward to hearing more about the recipients after the awards banquet in June.
- Current/Upcoming Fundraisers
 - 4th Grade Grad Signs
 - Most signs that have been ordered have been distributed.
 - Signs are still available to purchase!
 - Donut Sale - Friday 5/15 (last sale of the year!)
 - Summer Birthday Messages
 - If your child has a summer birthday, we recommend picking a date in June to display their birthday message.
 - You may also display summer birthdays over the summer, but please be mindful that all orders should be made at least two weeks in advance.
 - Somerset Patriots Games on 7/10
 - Flyers have been distributed - we hope to see you there!
- Government
 - 2026-2027 Board Nominations
 - Please note that you can still join our board!
 - Many of our board members will be taking an emeritus role so next year is a great opportunity to transition and learn about the PTSO.
 - Without a solid group of volunteers, some events and fundraisers may have to be omitted for the 2026-27 school year.
 - Current 2026-27 PTSO Board
 - President Emeritus* - Melissa Miller
 - Vice President Emeritus* of Fundraising - Jenn Mondano
 - Vice President of Events - Dawn Fischer
 - Treasurer Emeritus* - Dan Chin
 - Asst. Treasurer - Amy Weitz
 - Recording Secretary - Pending
 - Nominee: Amanda Santacroce
 - Corresponding Secretary - Nicole Englehardt

***Emeritus Role** - As the 2026-2027 school year will be the last year at Kennedy for the families of the current President, Vice President and Treasurer, regardless of PTSO officer nomination status, they will not seek reelection, but rather they will transition to a strategic advisory role at the conclusion of the current school year. These transitional board advisory roles will (1) enrich the onboarding experience for the new officers, (2) ensure a timeframe for successful knowledge-transfer during the 2026-2027 school year, and (3) permit sufficient time for the accurate migration of ownership for financial and PTSO business account governance transfers.

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- [Review By Laws for Amendment to Membership Criteria](#)
 - We will be voting on passing the following amendment at our final board meeting of the year. Please attend and voice your opinion! Our last board meeting will be on June 11.
 - Article V proposed
 - Current language: "Only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to participate in its business meetings or serve in any of its elected or appointed positions."
 - Proposed revision: "Only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to participate in its business meetings or serve in any of its elected or appointed positions. A member in good standing is defined as an individual with an active PTSO membership for the current school year. Those current Kennedy families who have paid the Family Membership PTSO fee for the current school year are considered active members. And only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to serve as class parents and/or field trip chaperones in a given school year."
- Forms
 - Review Funding or Donation Request Form > [here](#) (standing item)
 - Mrs. McNamee - book shelf for staff lounge to share books
 - We will first seek free/donated shelves from PTSO members who the local community. If none available, we hope to order one from Scholastic.
- Upcoming events
 - Kindergarten Get Acquainted - Mon 6/1
 - Rita's Dine Out - Monday 6/1
 - BOGO Scholastic Book Fair Monday 6/1 & Wednesday 6/3
 - Please note there is no school on Tuesday 6/2 due to elections
 - Volunteers needed! Please sign-up at <https://tinyurl.com/KennedyBookFairJune2026>
 - Somerset Patriots Game - Friday 7/10
 - End of Year Event Friday 6/5 - [RSVP here](#)
 - This is a FREE event and all families are welcome to attend
 - Food and entertainment will be provided
 - Please bring a dessert to share

Class Field Trips - Expenses

Grade	Date	Location	Cost	Busing
K	5/8	Crayola Factory	\$555.82	\$800.00
1	5/5	Monmouth Museum	\$540.00	\$800.00
2 Klimchak Hearne	5/15	Turtle Back Zoo	\$1,515.00	\$800.00
3	5/27	Somerset Patriots	\$1,560.00	\$750.00
4	5/13	Jenkinsons Aquarium	\$635.00	\$800.00

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 **Upcoming Events (May - July):** Seeking volunteers for highlighted events 

6/1/2026	9-11am	Kindergarten Get Acquainted
6/1/2026	6-8pm	Dine Out - Rita's
6/1/2026 - 6/2/2026	school hours	Scholastic Book Fair BOGO
6/5/2026	event time: 6-8pm prep time: 4 - 9:00pm	End of Year Event
6/11/2026	7-8pm	PTSO Member Meeting
Mid June	school hours	4th Grade graduation yearbook party (4th grade parents)
7/10/2026	Gates open @6pm, game time: 7:05pm	Somerset Patriots Game